

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

Eau Claire County Board Room

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present: Emily Anderson, Kate Beaton, Laura Benjamin, Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Catherine Emmanuelle, Jeremy Gragert, John Lor, Terry Weld and Andrew Werthmann.

Council Members absent: David Klinkhammer.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, July 23, 2019:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the July 9, 2019 Council Legislative Session.
- Authorizing the Children's Museum of Eau Claire to conduct the Downtown Block Party on Sunday, August 11, 2019 on Barstow Street and Grand Avenue.
- Authorizing Downtown Eau Claire, Inc. to conduct A Grand Evening on the Bridge on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 on the Grand Avenue Bridge.
- Authorizing UW-Eau Claire Athletics to conduct UW-Eau Claire home football games on Saturdays, September 7, September 28, October 12, October 26, and November 16, 2019, in Carson Park.
- Authorizing Paul Bunyan Logging Camp Museum to conduct the U.S. Open Chainsaw Sculpture Championship at the Paul Bunyan Logging Camp Museum in Carson Park from Thursday, August 1, 2019, through Sunday, August 4, 2019.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting the renewal of bartender licenses for the 2019-2021 licensing period.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Combination Class A Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license of Kwik Trip, Inc., d/b/a Kwik Trip #210, 1506 Black Avenue, from Ricki L. Gudis to Brandon B. Balts.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Class A Fermented Malt beverage license of Fleet Farm Group, LLC, d/b/a Fleet Farm Fuel, 3150 Old Town Hall Road, from Christopher V. Nedland to Jason Balk.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Class A Fermented Malt Beverage and Class A Intoxicating Liquor (Cider only) license of Cenergy, LLC, d/b/a Mega Holiday #3720, 539 Water Street, from Catherine TePaske to Brian Effinger.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license of Ivory Piano Bar Inc., d/b/a Ivory Piano Bar, 2526 Golf Road, from Jinnea A. Paulson to Michelle Rieckens.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage & Temporary Class B Wine license to Paul Bunyan Logging Camp of Eau Claire Inc., Gordy Wall, President, on August 1-4, 2019, at 1110 Half Moon Drive, for the U.S. Open Chainsaw Sculpture Championship.

- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license and Temporary Class B Wine license to Downtown Eau Claire Inc., Zan Degen, president, on August 21, 2019, on the Grand Avenue Foot Bridge, for A Grand Evening on the Bridge.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2019-43, RFP for Transit Transfer Center Construction Management Services.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2019-47, Purchase of Snow and Ice Control Salt.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2019-48, Purchase of Three (3) 40' Hybrid Electric Buses.
- Final resolution granting petitions and waivers for sidewalk construction at various locations in the City of Eau Claire.
- Approving the Revolving Loan Fund Semi-Annual Report for EDA-Funded Revolving Loan Fund.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emanuelle and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the consent resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATION

President Weld read a proclamation proclaiming Tuesday, August 6, 2019, as National Night Out Against Crime in the City of Eau Claire and calling upon all citizens of Eau Claire to join the sponsors on August 6th at the 25th Annual Kick Off event in support of the Night Out on Crime.

GRANT

The City Council considered a resolution accepting and appropriating a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WI DNR) for the Ferry Street Dog Park Development. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

FOREST STREET GREEN SPACE NAMING

The City Council considered a resolution approving naming the Forest Street Special Area to Veteran’s Tribute Park. (Request withdrawn by applicant.) Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to indefinitely postpone.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The City Council considered a resolution approving the 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.”

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to amend” the Proposed 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan for Fund 434, Land, Building & Equipment by moving \$500,000 in funding from the year 2023 to 2020 to support the development of multi-family affordable housing.

Council Member Klinkhammer entered Council Chambers.

Discussion was held. Said motion “to amend” passed by the following vote:

Aye: Council Members Anderson, Beaton, Benjamin, Christopherson, Emmanuelle, Gragert, Lor, Weld and Werthmann. Nay: Council Members Berge and Klinkhammer.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to amend” the Proposed 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan for Fund 450 Parks and Recreation by adding \$20,000 in 2020 to fund the addition of a Skate Plaza at Boyd Park.

To accommodate this new project, 2020 funding for the following projects are reduced:

406-005	Parking: Galloway Street Ramp Routine Maintenance	(\$2,000)
434-008	Public Space Cameras	(\$1,000)
434-009	Management Information Systems	(\$1,000)
434-020	Switch Replacement	(\$3,000)
441-013	Dewey Street Redeck	(\$10,000)
450-006	Fountain/Water Feature at Wilson Park	<u>(\$3,000)</u>
		(\$20,000)

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to amend the amendment” by substituting with the following:

Whereas, the Boyd Park Skate Plaza Group and the Skateboard Community represent a vibrant part of Eau Claire’s diverse creative culture;

And, whereas, city parks, school and community play areas continue to build infrastructure to support “typical” sports without expanding to support new sports or activities;

And, whereas Eau Claire has fewer skateboard facilities than desirable to support the existing local demand or to match the investment of surrounding communities;

And, whereas, the Skateboard Community has shown interest in expanding our local facilities by entering into an MOU with the city of Eau Claire and has successfully advocated for their sport by raising money for a new and larger Skate Park to be located in the Boyd Park Plus;

And, whereas, the funding to secure that Skate Park is achievable with the support of Eau Claire city and the Eau Claire city council;

Therefore, be it resolved that the city of Eau Claire supports including the skate park in the Boyd Park Plus design while the fundraising is completed. A representative of the City Council will support the Boyd Park Skate Plaza Group to complete the fundraising consistent with the Memorandum of Understanding between the parties:

Be it Further Resolved, that the Council hereby moves to amend the 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan and to appropriate \$75,000 in the CIP for 2020 while fundraising is being completed.

Council Member Emmanuelle offered a friendly amendment that Council Member Christopherson's name should be inserted as the Council Representative. Said friendly amendment was accepted by the mover without objection.

A vote was then taken on the motion "to amend the amendment." Said motion failed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Benjamin, Christopherson, Klinkhammer, Lor and Weld. Nay: Council Members Anderson, Beaton, Berge, Emmanuelle, Gragert and Werthmann.

A vote was then taken on the motion "to amend" as offered by Council Members Beaton and Werthmann. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Werthmann "to amend" the Proposed 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan for Fund 406 Parking Improvements by adding \$10,000 in every year of this CIP to fund bicycle parking facilities at city-owned facilities and for city operations such as special events. This would include the purchase of bike corrals, bicycle racks, and mobile bike parking, for use at city parks, special events, and for city buildings/parking lots. To accommodate this new project, projects #406-002 –Parking: Wayfinding and #406-003 Parking: Technology are each reduced by \$5,000 in every year of this CIP. Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Anderson, Beaton, Benjamin, Berge, Christopherson, Emmanuelle, Gragert, Lor, Weld and Werthmann. Nay: Council Member Klinkhammer.

A vote was then taken "to adopt the resolution with amended CIP." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Benjamin left Council Chambers.

CANNERY REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TAX INCREMENTAL DISTRICT NO. 13

The City Council considered a resolution adopting the Project Plan and designating boundaries for Tax Incremental District No. 13, Cannery District. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Anderson "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Anderson, Beaton, Berge, Christopherson, Emmanuelle, Gragert, Klinkhammer, Lor, Weld and Werthmann. Absent: Council Member Benjamin.

Council Member Benjamin returned to Council Chambers.

CANNERY REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Development and Purchase Agreement with W Capital Group, LLC for property located at 1700-1750 N. Oxford Avenue in the Cannery Redevelopment District. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Berge "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

**CANNERY REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
ALLEY & STREET VACATION**

The City Council considered a resolution vacating the alley west of Oxford Avenue from Cameron Street to Maxon Street and discontinuing the northern one-half of Cameron Street from Mappa Street to Oxford Avenue. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution releasing the utility easements within the alley west of Oxford Avenue from Cameron Street to Maxon Street and discontinuing the northern one-half of Cameron Street from Mappa Street to Oxford Avenue. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ANNEXATION

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance in accordance with Section 66.0217 Wisconsin Statutes, annexing to the City of Eau Claire and particularly to the 15th Assessment Ward, 2nd Aldermanic District, being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 1-26-9 West, Town of Washington, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 19-3A (D.G. Wogernese Petition).

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: July 23, 2019

Time: 6:23 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld
Council President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl
City Clerk